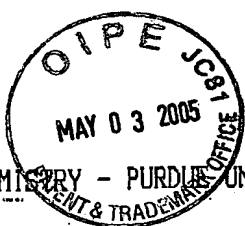


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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

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We, Philip S. Low and Yingjuan Lu, citizens of the United States of America and China, respectively, and both residents of West Lafayette, Indiana, do declare and say that:

We are the named inventors on the captioned application for patent filed on March 30, 2001. The captioned application claims priority to U.S. Patent Application No. 60/193,944, filed on March 31, 2000 and to U.S. Patent Application No. 60/255,846, filed on December 15, 2000. We understand that the Examiner has rejected claims 43, 45, 46, and 50-52 of the application under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Cowan (WO 01/32207) in combination with other references. Cowan was published on May 10, 2001 and has an International Filing Date of January 19, 2000.

The invention described and claimed in the captioned application was conceived and reduced to practice in this country prior to January 19, 2000.

The invention described and claimed in the captioned application comprises methods and compositions for enhancing an endogenous immune response-mediated elimination of a population of cancer cells comprising administering a composition comprising an immunogen conjugated to a folate receptor-binding ligand and a compound capable of stimulating an endogenous immune response wherein the compound does not bind to the conjugate.

Exhibit A is a copy of a figure that contains the same data as is shown in Fig. 1 of the patent application except that for Fig. 1 in the patent application the assay was extended for a longer period of time (i.e., to about 65 days post tumor implantation). The assay from which the data shown in Exhibit A was obtained was performed in the laboratory of Philip S. Low, one of the named inventors, by Yingjuan Lu, the other named inventor on the captioned application. The date that the assay depicted in Exhibit A was completed is shown on Exhibit A, but that date has been redacted. The redacted date is earlier than January 19, 2000.

The data in the figure shown in Exhibit A was obtained from an assay in which mice were treated with folate-immunogen conjugates in combination with cytokines. Accordingly, the claimed invention was conceived and reduced to practice in the United States prior to January 19, 2000.

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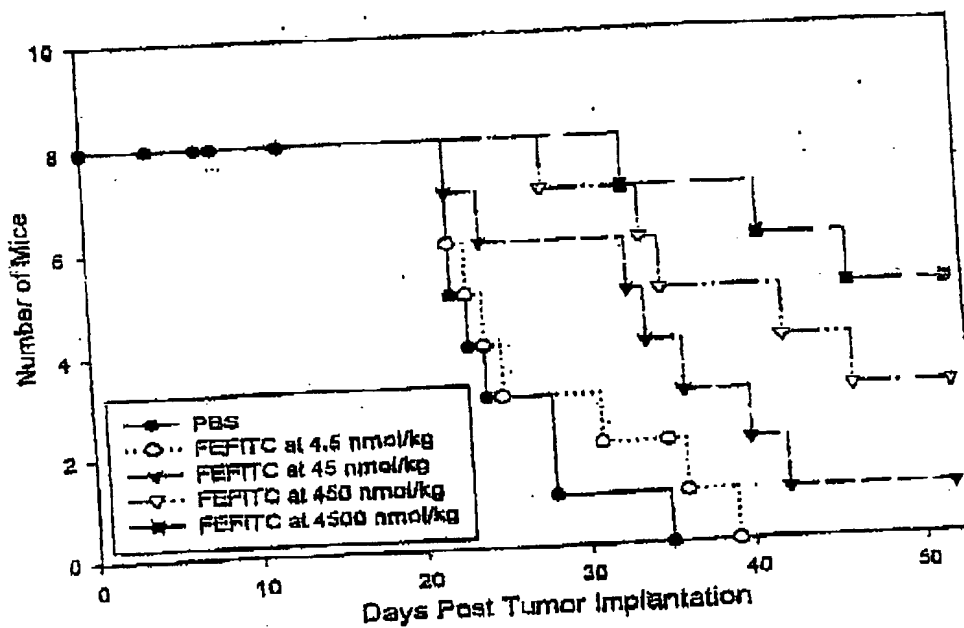
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Fig-2



*All mice were implanted with i.p. M109 tumors and treated with same doses of IL-2 at a schedule of qd x 5

EXHIBIT A
to 1.131 Declaration